



Regional English Language Office (RELO)



**Regional English Language Office
U.S. Embassy, Beijing
China**



Dual Meanings of RELO

Public Affairs Section of the U.S. Embassy

- **R**egional **E**nglish **L**anguage **O**ffice

covers Mainland China, Hong Kong, Macau, and Mongolia

- **R**egional **E**nglish **L**anguage **O**fficer

applied linguist, professional teacher trainer, diplomat...



What does RELO do?

- **FOUR** Programs
- **THREE** types of grants
- **TWO** ____?
- **ONE** Center



RELO Programs

- The English Language Fellow Program
- The English Language Specialist Program
- The E-Teacher Scholarship Program
- The English Access Microscholarship (Access) Program



English Language Fellow Program





English Language Fellow Program





More on ELF's

- There are 9 Fellows in China this year.
- Some of the institutions Fellows have worked with:
 - ❖ *Beijing Normal University*
 - ❖ *Sichuan Normal University*
 - ❖ *Xinjiang Normal University*
 - ❖ *Wenzhou University*
 - ❖ *Jilin University, etc.*
 - ❖ *Beijing Foreign Studies University,*
 - ❖ *Beijing Institute of Education*
 - ❖ *Tianjin University of Traditional Chinese Medicine, etc.*

English Language Specialist Program

- curriculum projects
- teacher training seminars
- textbook development
- English for Specific Purposes
- program evaluation





English Access Microscholarship Program

Provides supplementary English language study to non-elite, economically disadvantaged youth ages 14 to 18.





English Access Microscholarship Program





E-Teacher Scholarship Program

Offers online, graduate level classes to English teaching professionals outside of the United States through a few U.S. universities.

- [Building Teaching Skills through the Interactive Web](#)
- [Teaching English to Young Learners \(TEYL\)](#)
- [Critical Thinking in the English as a Foreign Language \(EFL\) Curriculum](#)
- [English as a Foreign Language Assessment](#)
- [English for Specific Purposes \(ESP\) Best Practices](#)
- [Methods Course I: Survey of Best Practices in TESOL](#)
- [Methods Course II: Developing EFL Literacy through Project-Based Learning](#)



RELO Grants

- Co-sponsors/co-organizes symposia that bring professionals from around China and the U.S.
- Co-funds research projects
- Travel grants to conferences such as TESOL, RELC, etc.



Regional English Resource Center

- Located at the American Center for Educational Exchange (ACEE), Jingguang Center
- Books, audios, videos
- Journals, magazines

Regional English Resource Center





In Sum: What does the RELO do?

- Organizing and participating in teacher training seminars and workshops
- Advising on questions pertaining to English teaching
- Conducting needs assessments
- Consulting with host-country ministry, university, and teacher-training officials
- Facilitating workshops on EFL Methodology and best practices



In Sum: What does the RELO do?

Assists the English teaching community to develop the language competency of professionals and students through such activities and programs as *training of trainers, teacher training*, and offering consultations or assistance on issues concerning *curriculum, assessment* and *materials development*.



Two _?



If you are interested in finding out more about the RELO programs, please send E-mail to us at:

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Thank You!